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August 18, 2005

Shaela McNulty Collins, Hearing Officer Department of Telecommunications and Energy One South Station, 2nd Floor Boston, MA 02110

Re: NSTAR Gas Company, D.T.E. 05-36

Dear Ms. Collins:

I am writing on behalf of NSTAR Gas Company (the "Company") to request a further extension of the procedural schedule in the above-referenced case. Although the Company has been unable to confirm the assent of the Pipeline Engineering and Safety Division (the "Division") to this extension, it is the Company's understanding that the Division does not object to this request. The proposed procedural dates, as amended, would be as set forth below:

September 8:

First Round of Discovery Responses Due

September 22:

Pre-Filed Testimony Due

October 13:

Second Round of Discovery Questions Due

October 27:

Second Round of Discovery Responses Due

November 2-8:

Evidentiary Hearings

November 23:

Initial Briefs Due

December 2:

Reply Briefs Due

I have also enclosed a Certificate of Service. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

David S. Rosenzweig

cc: Mary Cottrell, Secretary

Andrew Kaplan, General Counsel

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have this day served the foregoing documents upon the service list in the above-docketed proceeding in accordance with the requirements of 220 C.M.R. 1.05.

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Dated: August 18, 2005